

The Order of Service for the Con-
secration of the Reverend William
Jones Gordon, Jr., to be Bishop of
the Missionary District of Alaska
Church of the Good Shepherd,
Raleigh, North Carolina, Tues-
day, May 18th, A. D. 1948, 11:00
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Special Notices

All members of the congregation are requested not to leave the Church unless for some imperative reason, *until after the entire service has been concluded.*

In order that the service be not unduly prolonged, it is requested that only the Bishops, Clergy and Laymen in the procession, and the members of the family of the newly consecrated Bishop receive the Holy Communion.

Immediately after the service, luncheon will be served in the Parish House of Christ Church, on the east side of Capitol Square, for the Bishops, visiting Clergy and other official and invited guests.

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The Ministers of the Consecration

THE CONSECRATORS

THE RIGHT REVEREND HENRY KNOX SHERRILL, D.D., LL.D.

Presiding Bishop

THE RIGHT REVEREND JOHN BOYD BENTLEY, D.D.

Vice-President of the National Council

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Bishop of North Carolina

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THE RIGHT REVEREND FREDERICK DEANE GOODWIN, D.D.

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THE RIGHT REVEREND THOMAS HENRY WRIGHT, D.D.

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THE READER OF THE GOSPEL

THE RIGHT REVEREND RICHARD BLAND MITCHELL, D.D.

Bishop of Arkansas

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THE REVEREND WARREN RICHMOND FENN

Rector of All Saints' Church

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THE REVEREND ALFRED STRATTON LAWRENCE, JR.

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THE REVEREND EDMUND BERKELEY

Rector of All Saints' Church

ROANOKE RAPIDS, NORTH CAROLINA

THE READERS OF TESTIMONIALS

I. *Evidence of Election*

THE RIGHT REVEREND JOHN JAMES GRAVATT, D.D.

Bishop of Upper South Carolina

II. *The Canonical Testimonial*

THE RIGHT REVEREND JOHN LONG JACKSON, D.D.

Bishop of Louisiana

III. *Evidence of Ordinations*

THE REVEREND DAVID W. YATES
Rector of The Chapel of the Cross
CHAPEL HILL, NORTH CAROLINA

IV. *The Consents of the Standing Committees*

DR. SYDENHAM B. ALEXANDER

THE DIRECTOR OF MUSIC

STUART PRATT, A.B., MUS.M.
Organist and Choirmaster
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The Order of Procession

THE CRUCIFER

THE CHOIR

THE ASSISTANT MASTER OF CEREMONIES

LAY MEMBERS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE DIOCESE OF
NORTH CAROLINA

THE VESTRIES OF THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD AND
CHRIST CHURCH

LAY REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL

REPRESENTATIVES OF OTHER COMMUNIONS

THE CLERGY OF OTHER DIOCESES

THE CLERGY OF THE DIOCESE OF NORTH CAROLINA

THE CLERICAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE MISSIONARY DISTRICT OF
ALASKA

THE CRUCIFER

THE MASTER OF CEREMONIES

THE READERS OF TESTIMONIALS

THE DEPUTY REGISTRAR

THE BISHOPS

THE ATTENDING PRESBYTERS

THE BISHOP-ELECT

THE PRESENTERS

THE PREACHER

THE CO-CONSECRATORS

THE PRESIDING BISHOP

The Order of Service

¶ *While the Procession is entering and being seated, the following hymns shall be sung:*

HYMN 396

Aurelia

THE Church's one foundation
Is Jesus Christ her Lord;
She is his new creation
By water and the word:
From heaven he came and sought her
To be his holy bride;
With his own blood he bought her,
And for her life he died.

2 Elect from every nation,
Yet one o'er all the earth,
Her charter of salvation,
One Lord, one faith, one birth;
One holy Name she blesses,
Partakes one holy food,
And to one hope she presses,
With every grace endued.

3 Though with a scornful wonder
Men see her sore opprest,
By schisms rent asunder,
By heresies distrest;
Yet saints their watch are keeping,
Their cry goes up, "How long?"
And soon the night of weeping
Shall be the morn of song.

4 'Mid toil and tribulation,
And tumult of her war,
She waits the consummation
Of peace for evermore;
Till with the vision glorious
Her longing eyes are blest,
And the great Church victorious
Shall be the Church at rest.

5 Yet she on earth hath union
With God the Three in One,
And mystic sweet communion
With those whose rest is won.
O happy ones and holy!
Lord, give us grace that we
Like them, the meek and lowly,
On high may dwell with thee. Amen.

—REV. SAMUEL J. STONE, 1868

GLORIOUS things of thee are spoken,
 Sion, city of our God;
 He whose word cannot be broken,
 Formed thee for his own abode;
 On the Rock of Ages founded,
 What can shake thy sure repose?
 With salvation's walls surrounded,
 Thou may'st smile at all thy foes.

2 See, the streams of living waters,
 Springing from eternal love,
 Well supply thy sons and daughters,
 And all fear of want remove.
 Who can faint, when such a river
 Ever will their thirst assuage?
 Grace which, like the Lord, the giver,
 Never fails from age to age.

3 Round each habitation hov'ring,
 See the cloud and fire appear
 For a glory and a cov'ring,
 Showing that the Lord is near.
 Thus deriving from their banner,
 Light by night, and shade by day,
 Safe they feed upon the manna
 Which he gives them when they pray.

4 Blest inhabitants of Sion,
 Washed in the Redeemer's blood!
 Jesus, whom their souls rely on,
 Makes them kings and priests to God.
 'Tis his love his people raises
 Over self to reign as kings:
 And as priests, his solemn praises
 Each for a thank-off'ring brings. Amen.

—JOHN NEWTON, 1779, *alt.*

The Form of Ordaining or Consecrating a Bishop With the Service of Holy Communion

ACCORDING TO THE BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER

¶ *When all things are duly prepared in the Church, and set in order, the Presiding Bishop shall begin the Communion Service as followeth,*

OUR Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, On earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. Amen.

The Collect

ALMIGHTY God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid; Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then shall the Presiding Bishop say,*

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith.

THOU shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it; Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

¶ *Here shall be sung,*

KYRIE ELEISON

Willan

Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

¶ *Here shall be said,*

The Lord be with you.
Answer. And with thy spirit.
Bishop. Let us pray.

¶ *Then shall the Presiding Bishop say,*

The Collect

ALMIGHTY God, who by thy Son Jesus Christ didst give to thy holy Apostles many excellent gifts, and didst charge them to feed thy flock; Give grace, we beseech thee, to all Bishops, the Pastors of thy Church, that they may diligently preach thy Word, and duly administer the godly Discipline thereof; and grant to the people, that they may obediently follow the same; that all may receive the crown of everlasting glory; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then shall the Bishop Appointed read the Epistle*

The Epistle. 1 Timothy iii. 1

THIS is a true saying, If a man desire the office of a Bishop, he desireth a good work. A Bishop then must be blameless, the husband of one wife, vigilant, sober, of good behaviour, given to hospitality, apt to teach; not given to wine, no striker, not greedy of filthy lucre; but patient, not a brawler, not covetous; one that ruleth well his own house, having his children in subjection with all gravity; (for if a man know not how to rule his own house, how shall he take care of the church of God?) not a novice, lest being lifted up with pride he fall into the condemnation of the devil. Moreover he must have a good report of them which are without; lest he fall into reproach and the snare of the devil.

¶ *Then shall the Bishop Appointed read the Gospel*

¶ *Here shall be sung*

GLORIA TIBI

Traditional

The Gospel. St. John xxi. 15

JESUS saith to Simon Peter, Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me more than these? He saith unto him, Yea, Lord; thou knowest that I love thee. He saith unto him, Feed my lambs. He saith to him again the second time, Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me? He said unto him, Yea, Lord; thou knowest that I love thee. He saith unto him, Feed my sheep. He saith unto him the third time, Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me? Peter was grieved because he said unto him the third time, Lovest thou me? And he said unto

him, Lord, thou knowest all things; thou knowest that I love thee. Jesus said unto him, Feed my sheep.

¶ *After the Gospel shall be sung*

LAUS CHRISTE

Traditional

¶ *Then Shall Follow the Nicene Creed*

I BELIEVE in one God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And of all things visible and invisible: And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God; Begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of very God; Begotten, not made; Being of one substance with the Father; By whom all things were made: Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, And was made man; And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried: And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures: And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father: And he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord, and Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; Who spake by the Prophets: And I believe one Catholic and Apostolic Church: I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins: And I look for the Resurrection of the dead: And the Life of the world to come. Amen.

¶ *Then shall be sung the following hymn*

HYMN 542

Duke Street

JESUS shall reign where'er the sun
Doth his successive journeys run;
His kingdom stretch from shore to shore,
Till moons shall wax and wane no more.

- 2 To him shall endless prayer be made,
And praises throng to crown his head;
His Name like sweet perfume shall rise
With ev'ry morning sacrifice.

- 3 People and realms of every tongue
Dwell on his love with sweetest song;
And infant voices shall proclaim
Their early blessings on his Name.
- 4 Blessings abound where'er he reigns;
The prisoner leaps to loose his chains,
The weary find eternal rest,
And all the sons of want are blest.
- 5 Let every creature rise and bring
Peculiar honors to our King;
Angels descend with songs again,
And earth repeat the loud Amen. Amen.

—ISAAC WATTS, 1719

¶ *Here followeth,*

The Sermon

By the Retired Bishop of East Carolina

THE DOXOLOGY

Old Hundredth

¶ *The Elected Bishop, vested with his Rochet, shall be presented by two Bishops of this Church unto the Presiding Bishop, sitting in his chair, near the Holy Table; the Bishops who present him saying,*

REVEREND Father in God, we present unto you this godly and well-learned man, to be Ordained and Consecrated Bishop.

¶ *Then shall the Presiding Bishop demand Testimonials of the person presented for Consecration, and shall cause them to be read.*

¶ *The Testimonials shall then be read, the People seated.*

- I. The Evidence of Permission for Election.
- II. The Evidence of Election.
- III. The Canonical Testimonial.
- IV. The Evidence of Ordinations.
- V. The Consents of the Standing Committees.

¶ *He shall then require of him the following Promise of Conformity to the Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church.*

IN the Name of God, Amen. I, WILLIAM JONES GORDON, chosen Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Missionary District of Alaska, do promise conformity and obedience to the Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America. So help me God, through Jesus Christ.

¶ *Then the Presiding Bishop shall move the Congregation present to pray, saying thus to them:*

BRETHREN, it is written in the Gospel of Saint Luke, that our Saviour Christ continued the whole night in prayer, before he chose and sent forth his twelve Apostles. It is written also, that the holy Apostles prayed before they ordained Matthias to be of the number of the Twelve. Let us, therefore, following the example of our Saviour Christ, and his Apostles, offer up our prayers to Almighty God, before we admit and send forth this person presented unto us, to the work whereunto we trust the Holy Ghost hath called him.

Litany Hymn

HYMN 229

Lebbaeus

GOD the Father, God the Son,
God the Spirit, Three in One,
Hear us from thy heav'nly throne:
Spare us, holy Trinity.

2 Father, hear thy children's call;
Humbly at thy feet we fall,
Prodigals, confessing all:
We beseech thee, hear us.

3 Christ, beneath thy cross, we blame
All our life of sin and shame;
Penitent we breathe thy Name:
We beseech thee, hear us.

4 Holy Spirit, grieved and tried,
Oft forgotten and defied,
Now we mourn our stubborn pride:
We beseech thee, hear us. *Amen.*
—THOMAS BENSON POLLOCK, 1871, *alt.*

¶ *And then shall be said the Litany for Ordinations, read by the Bishop Appointed.*

O GOD the Father,
Have mercy upon us.
O God the Son,
Have mercy upon us.
O God the Holy Ghost,
Have mercy upon us.
O holy Trinity, one God,
Have mercy upon us.

WE beseech thee to hear us, good Lord; and that it may please thee to grant peace to the whole world, and to thy Church;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to sanctify and bless thy holy Church throughout the world;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to inspire all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, with love of thee and of thy truth;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to endue all Ministers of thy Church with devotion to thy glory and to the salvation of souls;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bless this our Brother elected, and to send thy grace upon him, that he may duly execute the Office

whereunto he is called, to the edifying of thy Church, and to the honour, praise, and glory of thy Name;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to guide by thy indwelling Spirit those whom thou dost call to the Ministry of thy Church; that they may go forward with courage, and preserve unto the end;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to increase the number of the Ministers of thy Church, that the Gospel may be preached to all people;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to hasten the fulfillment of thy purpose, that thy Church may be one;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to grant that we, with all thy saints, may be partakers of thy everlasting kingdom;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

OUR Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, On earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. Amen.

Minister. Hearken unto our voice, O Lord, when we cry unto thee;

Answer. Have mercy upon us and hear us.

Minister. O Lord, arise, help us;

Answer. And deliver us for thy Name's sake.

Minister. Let thy priests be clothed with righteousness;

Answer. And let thy saints sing with joyfulness.

Minister. Lord, hear our prayer;

Answer. And let our cry come unto thee.

Let us pray

GOD, who dost ever hallow and protect thy Church; Raise up therein, through thy Spirit, good and faithful stewards of the mysteries of Christ, that by their ministry and example thy people

may abide in thy favour and be guided in the way of truth ; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the same Spirit ever, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

¶ *Then shall the Presiding Bishop say this Prayer following:*

ALmighty God, giver of all good things, who by thy Holy Spirit hast appointed divers Orders of Ministers in thy Church ; Mercifully behold this thy servant, now called to the Work and Ministry of a Bishop ; and so replenish him with the truth of thy Doctrine, and adorn him with innocency of life, that, both by word and deed, he may faithfully serve thee in this Office, to the glory of thy Name, and the edifying and well-governing of thy Church ; through the merits of our Saviour Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the same Holy Spirit, world without end. *Amen.*

¶ *Then, the People being seated; the Presiding Bishop, sitting in his chair, shall say to him that is to be Consecrated,*

BROTHER, forasmuch as the Holy Scripture and the ancient Canons command, that we should not be hasty in laying on hands, and admitting any person to Government in the Church of Christ, which he hath purchased with no less price than the effusion of his own blood ; before we admit you to this Administration, we will examine you in certain Articles, to the end that the Congregation present may have a trial, and bear witness, how you are minded to behave yourself in the Church of God.

ARE you persuaded that you are truly called to this Ministration, according to the will of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the order of this Church ?

Answer. I am so persuaded.

Bishop. Are you persuaded that the Holy Scriptures contain all Doctrine required as necessary for eternal salvation through faith in Jesus Christ ? And are you determined out of the same Holy Scriptures to instruct the people committed to your charge ; and to teach or maintain nothing, as necessary to eternal salvation, but that which you shall be persuaded may be concluded and proved by the same ?

Answer. I am so persuaded, and determined, by God's grace.

Bishop. Will you then faithfully exercise yourself in the Holy Scriptures, and call upon God by prayer for the true understanding of the same; so that you may be able by them to teach and exhort with wholesome Doctrine, and to withstand and convince the gainsayers?

Answer. I will so do, by the help of God.

Bishop. Are you ready, with all faithful diligence, to banish and drive away from the Church all erroneous and strange doctrine contrary to God's Word; and both privately and openly to call upon and encourage others to the same?

Answer. I am ready, the Lord being my helper.

Bishop. Will you deny all ungodliness and worldly lusts, and live soberly, righteously, and godly in this present world; that you may show yourself in all things an example of good works unto others, that the adversary may be ashamed, having nothing to say against you?

Answer. I will so do, the Lord being my helper.

Bishop. Will you maintain and set forward, as much as shall lie in you, quietness, love, and peace among all men; and diligently exercise such discipline as by the authority of God's Word, and by the order of this Church, is committed to you?

Answer. I will so do, by the help of God.

Bishop. Will you be faithful in Ordaining, sending, or laying hands upon others?

Answer. I will so be, by the help of God.

Bishop. Will you show yourself gentle, and be merciful for Christ's sake to poor and needy people, and to all strangers destitute of help?

Answer. I will so show myself, by God's help.

¶ *Then, all standing, the Presiding Bishop shall say,*

ALmighty God, our heavenly Father, who hath given you a good will to do all these things; Grant also unto you strength and power to perform the same; that, he accomplishing in you the good work which he hath begun, you may be found perfect and irreprehensible at the latter day; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ *Then shall the Bishop-Elect put on the rest of the Episcopal habit, while the following is sung by the Choir,*

HYMN 466

Lytlington

God be in my head, and in my understanding;
God be in mine eyes, and in my looking;
God be in my mouth, and in my speaking;
God be in my heart, and in my thinking;
God be at mine end, and at my departing. Amen.

—SARUM PRIMER, 1558

¶ *Then the Bishop-elect shall kneel down; and the VENI, CREATOR SPIRITUS shall be sung over him; the Presiding Bishop (or some Bishop appointed by him) shall begin, and the Bishops, and the others that are present, standing, shall answer by verses, as followeth:*

HYMN 217

Come Holy Ghost

COME, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire,
And lighten with celestial fire.
Thou the anointing spirit art,
Who dost thy sevenfold gifts impart.

Thy blessed unction from above,
Is comfort, life, and fire of love.
Enable with perpetual light
The dullness of our blinded sight.

Anoint and cheer our soiled face
With the abundance of thy grace.
Keep far our foes, give peace at home;
Where thou art guide, no ill can come.

Teach us to know the Father, Son,
And thee, of both, to be but One;
That, through the ages all along,
This may be our endless song:
Praise to thy eternal merit,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

—Latin, 9th Cent.; Tr. JOHN COSIN, 1627

¶ *That ended, the Presiding Bishop shall say,*

Lord, hear our prayer.

Answer. And let our cry come unto thee.

Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY God, and most merciful Father, who, of thine infinite goodness, hast given thy only and dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ, to be our Redeemer, and the Author of everlasting life; who, after that he had made perfect our redemption by his death, and was ascended into heaven, poured down his gifts abundantly upon men, making some Apostles, some Prophets, some Evangelists, some Pastors and Doctors, to the edifying and making perfect his Church; Grant, we beseech thee, to this thy servant, such grace, that he may evermore be ready to spread abroad thy Gospel, the glad tidings of reconciliation with thee; and use the authority given him, not to destruction, but to salvation; not to hurt, but to help: so that, as a wise and faithful servant, giving to thy family their portion in due season, he may at last be received into everlasting joy; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who, with thee and the Holy Ghost, liveth and reigneth, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

¶ *Then the Presiding Bishop and Bishops designated shall lay their hands upon the head of the Elected Bishop, kneeling before them, the People standing, the Presiding Bishop saying, .*

RECEIVE the Holy Ghost for the Office and Work of a Bishop in the Church of God, now committed unto thee by the Imposition of our hands; In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. *Amen.* And remember that thou stir up the grace of God, which is given thee by this Imposition of our hands; for God hath not given us the spirit of fear, but of power, and love, and soberness.

¶ *Then the Presiding Bishop shall deliver him the Bible, saying*

GIVE heed unto reading, exhortation, and doctrine. Think upon the things contained in this Book. Be diligent in them, that the increase coming thereby may be manifest unto all men; for by so doing thou shalt both save thyself and them that hear thee. Be to the flock of Christ a shepherd, not a wolf; feed them, devour them not. Hold up the weak, heal the sick, bind up the broken, bring again the outcasts, seek the lost. Be so merciful that you be not too remiss; so minister discipline, that you forget not mercy; that when the Chief Shepherd shall appear, you may receive the never-fading crown of glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then the Presiding Bishop shall proceed in the Communion Service.*

THE OFFERTORY

Mendelssohn

HOW lovely are the messengers that preach us the gospel of peace. To all the nations is gone forth the sound of their words, throughout all the lands their glad tidings.

PRESENTATION OF ALMS

¶ *Then shall the Presiding Bishop say,*

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church.

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, who by thy holy Apostle hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men; We humbly beseech thee most mercifully to accept our [*alms and*] oblations, and to receive these our prayers, which we offer unto thy Divine Majesty; beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord: And grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

We beseech thee also, so to direct and dispose the hearts of all Christian Rulers, that they may truly and impartially administer justice, to the punishment of wickedness and vice, and to the maintenance of thy true religion, and virtue.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all Bishops and other Ministers, that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

And to all thy People give thy heavenly grace; and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear, and receive thy holy Word; truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succour all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear; beseeching thee to grant them con-

tinual growth in thy love and service, and to give us grace so to follow their good examples, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom. Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. *Amen.*

¶ *Then shall the Presiding Bishop say to those who come to receive Holy Communion,*

YE who do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways; Draw near with faith, and take this holy Sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to Almighty God, devoutly kneeling.

¶ *Then shall this General Confession be made, by the Presiding Bishop and all those who are minded to receive the Holy Communion, humbly kneeling.*

ALmighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men; We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we, from time to time, most grievously have committed, By thought, word, and deed, Against thy Divine Majesty, Provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, And are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; The remembrance of them is grievous unto us; The burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, Forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may ever hereafter Serve and please thee In newness of life, To the honour and glory of thy Name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then shall the Presiding Bishop stand up, and turning to the People, say,*

ALmighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him; Have mercy upon you; pardon and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then shall the Presiding Bishop say,*

Hear what comfortable words our Saviour Christ saith unto all who truly turn to him.

COME unto me, all ye that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you. So God loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

Hear also what Saint Paul saith.

This is a true saying, and worthy of all men to be received, That Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

Hear also what Saint John saith.

If any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous, and he is the Propitiation for our sins.

¶ *After which the Presiding Bishop shall proceed, saying,*

SURSUM CORDA

Traditional

Lift up your hearts.

Answer. We lift them up unto the Lord.

Bishop. Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

Answer. It is meet and right so to do.

¶ *Then shall the Presiding Bishop turn to the Holy Table, and say,*

IT is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God;

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THROUGH Jesus Christ our Lord; according to whose most true promise, the Holy Ghost came down as at this time from heaven, lighting upon the disciples, to teach them, and to lead them into all truth; giving them boldness with fervent zeal constantly to preach the Gospel unto all nations; whereby we have been brought out of darkness and error into the clear light and true knowledge of thee, and of thy Son Jesus Christ.

THEREFORE with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

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HOLY, HOLY, HOLY, Lord God of hosts, Heaven and earth are full of thy glory; Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High. Amen.

¶ *When the Presiding Bishop, standing before the Holy Table, hath so ordered the Bread and Wine, that he may with the more readiness and decency break the Bread before the People, and take the Cup into his hands, he shall say the Prayer of Consecration, as followeth:*

ALL glory to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption; who made there (by his one oblation of himself once offered) a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again: For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took Bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you; Do this in remembrance of me. Likewise, after supper, he took the Cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins; Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.

THE OBLATION

WHEREFORE, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy Divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

THE INVOCATION

AND we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and

creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

AND we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness, mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion. And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee, that we and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him. And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice; yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service; not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. *Amen.*

And now, as our Saviour Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

OUR Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, On earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

¶ Then shall the Presiding Bishop, kneeling down at the Lord's Table, say, in the name of all those who shall receive the Communion, this Prayer following.

WE do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou are the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy: Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and

our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. *Amen.*

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O Lamb of God, who takest the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, who takest the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, who takest the sins of the world, grant us Thy peace.

¶ Then shall the Presiding Bishop first receive the Communion in both kinds himself, and proceed to deliver the same to the Bishops and others, in like manner, into their hands, all devoutly kneeling. And when he delivereth the Bread, he shall say,

THE Body of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was given for thee, preserve thy body and soul unto everlasting life. Take and eat this in remembrance that Christ died for thee, and feed on him in thy heart by faith, with thanksgiving.

¶ And then the Bishop who delivereth the Cup shall say,

THE Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was shed for thee, preserve thy body and soul unto everlasting life. Drink this in remembrance that Christ's Blood was shed for thee, and be thankful.

¶ When all have communicated, the Presiding Bishop shall return to the Lord's Table, and reverently place upon it what remaineth of the consecrated Elements, covering the same with a fair linen cloth.

¶ Then shall the Presiding Bishop say,

Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost vouchsafe to feed us who have duly received these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy

Son, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope of thy everlasting kingdom, by the merits of his most precious death and passion. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

¶ *Then shall be sung, all standing,*

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Old Chant

GLORY be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the Glory of God the Father. *Amen.*

¶ *Then shall the Presiding Bishop say,*

MOST merciful Father, send down, we beseech thee, upon this thy servant thy heavenly blessing; and so endue him with thy Holy Spirit, that he, preaching thy Word, may not only be earnest to reprove, beseech, and rebuke, with all patience and doctrine; but also may be, to such as believe, a wholesome example in word, in conversation, in love, in faith, in chastity, and in purity; that, faithfully fulfilling his course, at the latter day he may receive the crown of righteousness, laid up by the Lord Jesus, the righteous Judge, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the same Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

THE Peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: And the Blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

SEVEN-FOLD AMEN

Stainer

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart
 in peace, according to thy word.
 For mine eyes have seen thy salvation,
 Which thou hast prepared before the face
 of all people;
 To be a light to lighten the Gentiles,
 and to be the glory of thy people Israel.

¶ *The Procession will retire in reverse of the order used in entering the Church, during the singing of the following Hymns:*

HYMN 261

Tidings

O SION, haste, thy mission high fulfilling,
 To tell to all the world that God is Light;
 That he who made all nations is not willing
 One soul should perish, lost in shades of night;

*Publish glad tidings:
 Tidings of peace,
 Tidings of Jesus,
 Redemption and release.*

2 Proclaim to every people, tongue, and nation
 That God, in whom they live and move, is Love:
 Tell how he stooped to save his lost creation,
 And died on earth that man might live above.
Refrain

3 Give of thy sons to bear the message glorious;
 Give of thy wealth to speed them on their way;
 Pour out thy soul for them in prayer victorious
 Till God shall bring his kingdom's joyful day.
Refrain

4 He comes again! O Sion, ere thou meet him,
 Make known to every heart his saving grace;
 Let none whom he hath ransomed fail to greet him,
 Through thy neglect, unfit to see his face.
Refrain

Amen.

—M. A. THOMSON, 1870

THE Son of God goes forth to war,
A kingly crown to gain;
His blood-red banner streams afar:
Who follows in his train?
Who best can drink his cup of woe,
Triumphant over pain;
Who patient bears his cross below,
He follows in his train.

2 The martyr first, whose eagle eye
Could pierce beyond the grave,
Who saw his Master in the sky
And called on him to save:
Like him, with pardon on his tongue,
In midst of mortal pain,
He prayed for them that did the wrong:
Who follows in his train?

3 A glorious band, the chosen few,
On whom the Spirit came:
Twelve valiant saints, their hope they knew,
And mocked the cross and flame.
They met the tyrant's brandish'd steel,
The lion's gory mane;
They bowed their necks the death to feel:
Who follows in their train?

4 A noble army, men and boys,
The matron and the maid,
Around the Saviour's throne rejoice,
In robes of light arrayed.
They climbed the steep ascent of heav'n
Through peril, toil, and pain:
O God, to us may grace be giv'n
To follow in their train. Amen.

—REGINALD HEBER, 1812

